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1. On 12 August 1949 fire broke out in the Steaua Rosie flour mill. The fire started simultaneously in various places and was said to be an act of sabotage on the part of discontented workers. About twenty men were arrested, including Ion Enache, manager of the mill and a member of the Rumanian Workers Party. At the time of the fire about 2,000 tons of flour were stored in the mill, and only about 300 tons of damaged flour were saved.
2. In the summer of 1949 the pipeline from Buzau to Reni was broken near the village of Lacul Sarat. A considerable amount of crude oil was lost on this occasion. The break was said to be an act of sabotage by the peasants who resented the fact that oil was being pumped to the Soviet Union. The pumping stations are operated by Soviet soldiers. [redacted] it consisted of two pipes, about 25 centimeters in diameter each.
3. Part of the Franco Romana shipyards in Braila is devoted to the production of ammunition. [redacted]
4. A project exists to build a new ammunition factory, to be named Progresul, in the Lacul Sarat forest.

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